



## ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL

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### **SUMMARY FOR 7-3-17 THROUGH 7-30-17**

This report takes us through week 30 of 2017. We continue to struggle with mentally ill and violent people on the streets. Many, but not all are homeless. At this time last year we handled 3791 radio calls. So far this year we have handled 4115 which is an increase of 324 calls over last year's record pace. This too is a challenge as the increased calls takes time away from high visibility patrol and other duties.

In order to help address the issue of high visibility, we have started an unarmed bike team. Their first day was on 7-11-17. They received about two weeks of in house training and hit the streets on 7-20-17. In their first nine days they helped to stop a suicide in progress and made 577 business checks. They have received many favorable comments as people were clearly glad to see this extra highly visible addition to our security team.

We have also started our own homeless outreach team this year. Although our officers are to be commended for their work in this area, we have now added an important level of professionalism to our team. Our leader Stephan has at least five years of experience in housing people and providing other services as well. This team is out walking the streets five days a week. They build rapport with people and guide them into housing, medical treatment and other services.

### **EVENTS OF INTEREST:**

During this period we have received numerous complaints regarding homeless people creating problems in the area of Vine and La Mirada. This would include blocking the sidewalk, trespass and leaving large amounts of debris on the ground. We have stepped up our patrols in the area.

On 7-3-17, our officers spoke to Robert who plays the drums for tips in front of 6834 Hollywood Blvd. He is very aggressive in demanding money from tourists and others. He was asked to relocate and he complied.

On 7-3-17, we spent a considerable amount of time convincing two people to move their possessions off the sidewalk so that people could walk there. Our officers then went to the Office Depot at 1240 Vine as a man was defecating on the planter. He was warned and sent on his way. We later responded regarding two people setting up a new encampment in the area.

On 7-4-17, we received a call of a man refusing to leave the restroom at the Starbucks located at 6745 Hollywood Blvd. Our officers spoke to the homeless man who was a double amputee in a wheelchair. He was using the bathroom to bathe and wash his clothing. It took almost a half an hour to get him to leave. We receive these types of calls on a daily basis.



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We then received a call of a man with a knife at 6801 Hollywood Blvd. He was at the Orange Court. We assisted LAPD officers in searching the area, but the man could not be located.

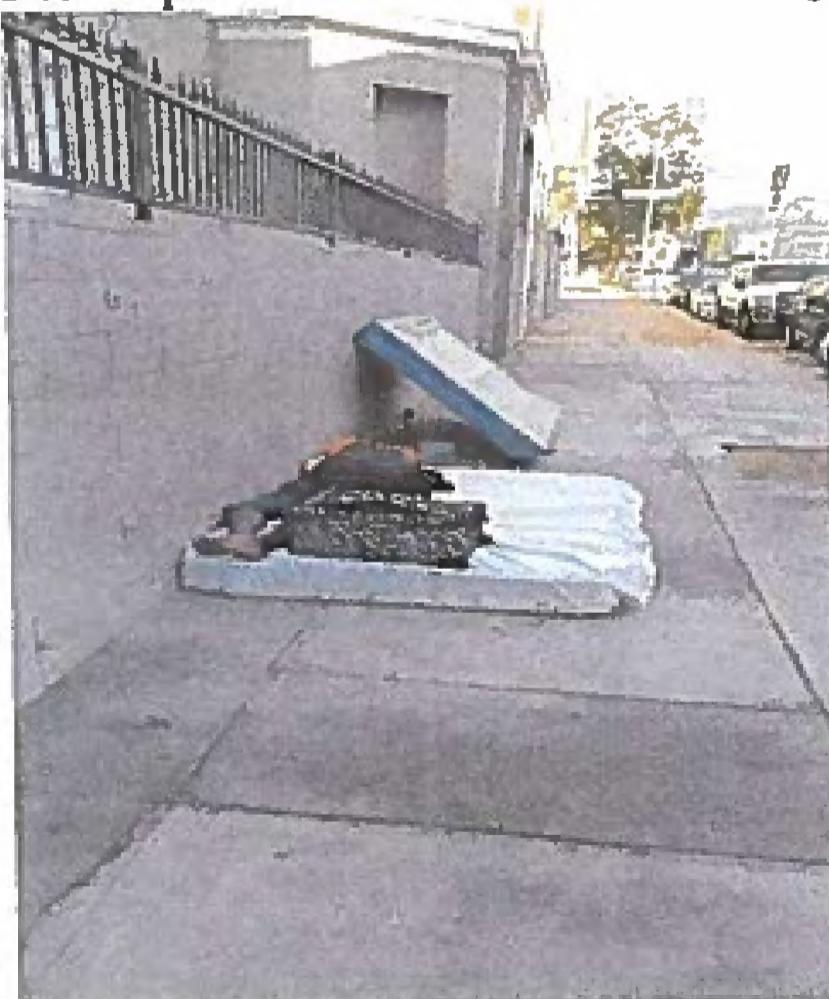
On 7-5-17, we were back on La Mirada warning subjects that they were blocking the sidewalk with all their possessions. They agreed to clear the walkway. We then responded to a call of a man trespassing at 1218 Vine (Goodwill). He was advised and left the scene. Our officers returned to the area the next day and spoke to the security guard about the large number of calls for service from the area. These mostly involve encampments and people trespassing and causing disturbances. Our extra patrols continue.

On 7-7-17, our officers spoke to a homeless man named Will at 6450 Sunset Blvd. He was sitting on the sidewalk where he had lit a small fire. Will slept on Hollywood Blvd. in the past. We arrested him there about five times in the past as he would trespass by sleeping in the BID office alcove leaving behind a huge amount of debris. He would also set fires and block the sidewalk. He generated numerous calls for service.

Will disappeared for about a month after our last arrest, but has now re-appeared on Sunset. We will monitor the situation.

On 7-8-17, we responded to a call of a man sleeping on the side of the Rite Aid located at 6130 Sunset. The security guard said that he refused to leave the property. When our officers spoke to the man he jumped up and yelled "F\_\_\_ you and die". He made some racial references and then finally left. He knocked over two trashcans at the El Centro entrance as he passed by.

On 7-8-17, our officer's contacted Street Plus in an effort to better coordinate our efforts to have bulky items such as couches and mattresses removed from our sidewalks. They agreed and this will allow us to respond to these issues more rapidly.





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Our officers contacted a man to the rear of Harley Davidson located at 6870 Hollywood. This was the third day in a row and he was warned about trespassing on the property. He is very hostile and has come close to attacking our officers.

On 7-11-17, our officers were flagged down by a citizen at Las Palmas and Yucca. The citizen pointed out a man who was sitting across from a playground masturbating. Our officers contacted this man and convinced him to leave the area.

On 7-11-17, we responded to a call of a man sitting on the ground yelling profanities at pedestrians in front of Madame Tussauds located at 6933 Hollywood Blvd. Our officers contacted the man and he left the scene.

On 7-12-17, we received a call of a man in front of Space 15/20 screaming at people. Our officers spoke to the man and he left the scene.

On 7-12-17, we received a call of a disturbance at the Taste of Caribbean located at 1642 Cahuenga (EACA Alley). Two men were sitting on the patio using the business electrical outlet to cook their food and charge their phones. When our officers arrived the men threatened to fight and then to shoot them. All our teams responded and the men finally left the location.

On 7-15-17, we received a call of a woman causing a disturbance at the Old Tradition Tattoo located at 6601 Hollywood Blvd. She was sitting on the sidewalk in front blocking customers. When our officers asked her to move she started yelling racial slurs at the officers. She started to leave and then turned and spat at an officer. Luckily she just missed him.

The officers then went to the McDonalds where a woman was refusing to leave the bathroom. She started screaming at the officers as she left the location.

On 7-15-17 our officers responded to a call of two men refusing to leave the parking lot at 1637 Wilcox. When our officers approached and asked them to leave, one of the men picked up a large stick and said "F \_\_\_ You. Make me leave Bitch". When advised that he would be placed under arrest if he did not comply, he slowly left. He continued his profanity and threats.

On 7-16-17, our officers contacted a man sleeping in front of the El Polo Loco located at 1260 Vine. When contacted the man jumped up and yelled "You are not real cops. Your Jeeps are stolen and I'm going to steal them back. I'm going to start by killing all the military". The man continued yelling in this manner, but was finally convinced to leave.

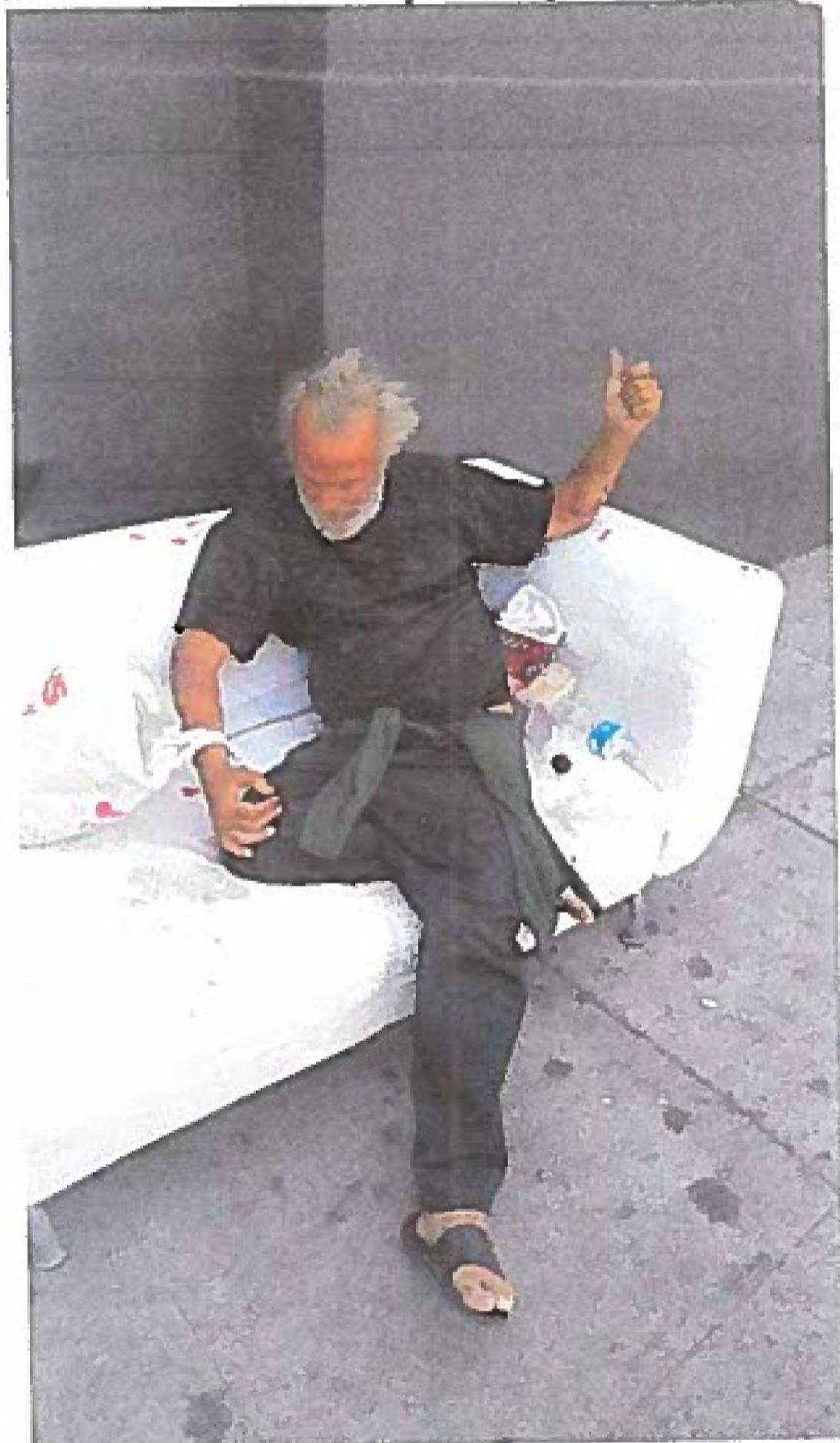
On 7-19-17, our officers stopped at the Winchell's located at 1316 Vine and contacted a woman there. She was sitting at an outside table with no top on. She was asked to put on her clothes and leave. She complied.

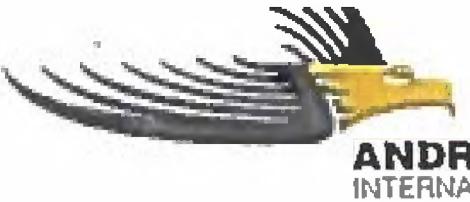


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On 7-21-17, our new unarmed bike team was on patrol. It was only their second day on the street after a lengthy training period. They spotted a man named Kenneth cutting his arm at 6434 Yucca. Blood was flowing down his arm. He said that he did not want to live. Our unarmed officers took a tactical position and called for assistance. Our entire armed patrol teams from both BIDS' responded.

One of our armed officers was able to establish a rapport with Kenneth while other officers provided back-up. Kenneth continued saying that he did not want to live. Our officer convinced him to drop the razor blade. Our officer asked Kenneth if he had any more weapons and he said he had more blades in his pocket. Our armed officers disarmed Keith and called the LAPD and paramedics. The paramedics had prior contact with Keith and said that he suffered from bi polar depression and cirrhosis of the liver.





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The unarmed bike team went on to conduct 70 business checks and handled 5 calls for service during their shift.

On 7-22-17, we received a call of a fight in progress involving eight costumed characters in front of 6801 Hollywood Blvd. (H+H). The LAPD responded and handled the call.



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On 7-22-17, we responded to a call of a man walking down the 6600 block of Hollywood Blvd. He was knocking over A-frame signs as he went. We were unable to locate the man.

On 7-24-17, we received a call of a man causing a disturbance in the courtyard of Madame Tussauds located at 6933 Hollywood Blvd. When asked to leave he told our officers "F\_\_\_ you bitches. You can't do shit". He continued in this vein, flipped off the officers and went on his way.

On 7-25-17, we responded to a call of a man causing a disturbance at the LBGTQ Center located at 1625 Schrader. The man was in the bathroom and refused to leave. The man yelled at our officers, but was finally convinced to go.

On 7-25-17, our officers were on patrol when they saw a homeless woman yelling at the security guard at the Chipotle located at 1460 Vine. She was screaming profanities at the guard. As they approached the woman ran into the Starbucks located at 6290 Sunset Blvd. She promptly caused a disturbance there and tried to run into the bathroom when out officers approached. When stopped she ran from the store screaming profanities.

We then responded to Optometrix at 6822 Vine regarding a man playing loud music in front of the business. When contacted he shouted profanities at out officers for several minutes before moving on.

We then received a call at the Post Office located at 1615 Wilcox as a female was there screaming. She continued this when our officers approached, but eventually left.

Shortly after that call we headed for the Bank of America located at 6300 Sunset Blvd. A different female was inside screaming and refusing to leave. She left before we arrived.

On 7-27-17, we sent a team to the Chase Bank located at 1500 Vine as a man was there causing a disturbance. He claimed to be a customer, but was not. He was verbally confrontational and kept going in and out of the bank. Our officers finally convinced him to leave.

The same team then responded to the Bank of America located at 6300 Sunset Blvd. as there was a man being abusive to employees and was attempting to pass bad checks. He was warned not to return to the bank as he would be arrested for trespass.

On 7-27-17, we received a call of an aggressive panhandler at the Sunset Tower located at 6430 Sunset Blvd. The man would ask for money and then threaten those who did not make a donation. He was warned.

On 7-28-17, we received a call of a man causing a disturbance at the CVS Pharmacy located at 6201 Hollywood Blvd. The security guard said that the man had tried to hit



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him with a long pole. The guard did not want to prosecute, but did want the man to leave the store. Our officers were able to convince the man to leave without further incident.

On 7-28-17, we responded to a call of a man trespassing to the rear of the Colony located at 1739 Cahuenga. When our officers woke the man they could see that he was trying to conceal a knife that he was holding. He was sent on his way.

On 7-28-17, one of our supervisors saw two LAPD officers making an arrest at the bus stop at Hollywood and Gower. The suspect's pit bull attempted to bite one of the officers. Our supervisor kept the dog and the suspect's friends away while the officers completed their arrest.

On 7-29-17, we responded to a call at the CVS Pharmacy located at 1747 Cahuenga regarding a woman causing a disturbance. Upon arrival our officers contacted her. She demanded that we give her a lighter and food. When these items were not provided she became furious and screamed profanities such as "F \_\_\_ you and your family you fake F \_\_\_ ing cops". She finally left.

A short time later the same officers were sent to a call at the Yucca Market located at 1815 Cahuenga. It was the same woman and she was yelling profanities outside the business. The officers convinced her to leave even as she continued shouting profanities at them.

The same officers then were sent to the Starbucks located at 6745 Hollywood Blvd. regarding a person refusing to leave. When contacted the subject yelled "Leave me alone. I hate cops". The subject walked off westbound yelling at each passerby.

After a lunch break the officers were sent to a call at McDonalds located at 6776 Hollywood Blvd. A person inside was refusing to leave. Upon arrival our officers were greeted by an incredible stream of profanity. The subject finally left.

### MEETINGS ATTENDED:

- 1) 7-6-17 H+H Retail
- 2) 7-6-17 Woman's Day at the Center
- 3) 7-7-17 First Friday
- 4) 7-8-17 Street Plus
- 5) 7-11-17 SBID Board
- 6) 7-12-17 Payroll Issues
- 7) 7-13-17 H+H Retail
- 8) 7-13-17 Neighborhood Health Outreach
- 9) 7-15-17 UOF/Outreach Training
- 10) 7-19-17 Conference call Manhattan Institute
- 11) 7-19-17 Dream Center Outreach
- 12) 7-20-17 H+H retail
- 13) 7-20-17 Chamber of Commerce Breakfast-Mayor speech



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- 14) 7-25-17 LAPD Crime Control
- 15) 7-27-17 H+H Retail

### OUTREACH:

On 7-5-17, our outreach team spoke to the homeless Alfred at 7080 Hollywood Blvd. He is 68 years old and had recently broken his foot. He had open sores possibly caused by his diabetes. Our team walked him to the Center so the CES coordinator could evaluate him. The walk was a difficult for Alfred.

It was determined that Alfred needed to go to the hospital. The Center staff is working on getting housing for Alfred in the meantime. The staff drove him to the hospital and our team went along as well.

On 7-6-17, our bike team was attempting to assist a man down at 6121 Sunset. The man was unresponsive. They saw that he had a colostomy bag near his stomach and a syringe containing a brown liquid resembling heroin near his right pocket. They called paramedics who responded and took the man to the hospital.



On 7-8-17, our outreach found Chris sleeping in the alley on the south side of Hollywood Blvd. He had food and other debris around him. They woke him. His eyes were bloodshot and he was argumentative. He then had a verbal fight with another homeless man. Chris was in his Superman costume. He has posed for pictures for tips on the Blvd. for years. We have spent a huge amount of time and effort to help him conquer his addictions, but he has fallen off the wagon once again.



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Our team then spoke to Gary after they saw him walking in and out of traffic against the red light. He did not seem to notice the honking horns. He is mentally unstable and drinks beer to self-medicate.

On 7-11-17, our outreach team spoke to the longtime homeless Michael. He had complained of having scabies. A Dr. had prescribed an ointment, but it was not working. Our team tried to convince Michael to go to a hospital, but he was unwilling. Our team bought Michael some tea tree oil for him to treat his condition prior to going to the hospital.

The team also spoke to 62 year old Lawrence at El Centro and Vine. He was released from state prison in 2010 and joined the homeless population. He last had housing in Korea Town in 2016. Prior to that he had been homeless in Long Beach, Wilmington and then finally Hollywood. He was referred to the Center for assessment.

On 7-13-17, our outreach team took the red line Metro in order to attend the Neighborhood Health Outreach meeting. There was a presentation from the Jewish Family Service Center and participating agencies shared case studies of homeless clients.

Also on 7-13-17, our team spoke to Abdul who has a severe skin infection on his legs. He has numerous sores and lesions, but has refused our assistance. We will continue to engage him.

On 7-19-17, our outreach team met with the Dream Center outreach director at the Lord's Lighthouse. They discussed services and contacts of mutual interest.

On 7-19-17, our officers saw some kind of disturbance at the Mobil Station located at 5857 Sunset Blvd. The manager was trying to escort a woman named Amanda off the property. It was clear to our officers that she was suffering from severe mental illness. Our officers contacted the LAPD who then called paramedics. They knew of the woman's condition through prior contacts and they took her to the hospital.



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On 7-20-17, our officers spoke with a married homeless couple in the 5900 block of Carlos. Most of their belongings including their food and clothing had been stolen. Our officers transported our outreach team to the location so they could assist the couple.

On 7-28-17, our outreach team found the homeless Avedon down on the ground in pain at 6290 Sunset Blvd. He could not get up. When asked if he needed an ambulance he said that he did. George from the Center arrived to assist. Our team called paramedics who responded to the scene. Avedon refused to go in the ambulance so George drove him to the LAC-USC in his personal vehicle.



### ENFORCEMENT:

In the Hollywood BID we have made a total of 99 arrests. Three were for drinking in public, 56 for alcohol referrals, 16 for trespass, 4 for battery, 8 for blocking the sidewalk, 4 for theft, 2 for miscellaneous misdemeanor, and 6 felonies. We also made 345 homeless referrals, assisted 55 agencies, provided 466 foot beat patrols for a total of 629 hours, assisted 5803 citizens, handled 2389 radio calls for service and made 3666 business contacts.

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 65 arrests. Seven were for drinking in public, 40 for alcohol referrals, 10 for trespass, 3 for blocking the sidewalk, 2 for theft, 1 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 2 felonies. We also made 111 homeless referrals, assisted 32 agencies, provided 179 foot beat patrols for a total of 115 hours, assisted 2904 citizens, handled 1726 radio calls for service, and made 2006 business contacts.

The combined arrest totals for both BIDS are 164 arrests. Ten for drinking in public, 96 for alcohol referrals, 26 for trespass, 4 for battery, 11 for blocking the sidewalk, 6 for theft, 3 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 8 felonies. We also made a combined total of 456 homeless referrals, assisted 87 agencies, provided 645 foot beat patrols for a total



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of 748 hours, assisted 8707 citizens, handled 4115 radio calls for service, and made 5672 business contacts.

### **NOTED ARRESTS:**

On 6-20-17, we were having an issue with a man from Ethiopia named Nathaniel at the mall at Hollywood and Highland where my office is located. He snatched brochures from a tour salesman, ran into traffic and was scaring people. He was ordered off the property by the LAPD, our officers and mall security. At about 11:00 A.M., unarmed mall security came to my office seeking help. The man had just dumped water on someone. All our officers were tied up on calls so I went to assess the situation.

When I got to Hollywood Blvd., I saw the suspect running in my direction. He was waving a sledge hammer. He ran out into the middle of the Hollywood Blvd. causing drivers of vehicles to brake and swerve out of the way. He then ran back to the sidewalk, past me and up to the vacant Foot Locker store on the corner of H+H. I heard a loud boom as he used the hammer to break the glass doors causing \$15,000.00 in damage.

The suspect ran into the store and I followed fearing that there were employees inside. I found the suspect just to the left of the door and told him that he was under arrest. He came towards me, still holding up the hammer. He made a threat and I sprayed him with pepper spray. It had no effect. He ran out the door. There was a slight delay in my pursuit as the mall guards also deployed pepper spray and I had to duck out of the way.

The suspect headed south on Highland in the middle of the street. I gave him numerous commands to surrender, but he responded incoherently. I feared that he was going to do a carjacking as he kept approaching the driver's side of the many vehicles whose drivers were trying to get out of the way. The suspect would then run over to the west sidewalk where I was following and confront me with the hammer. There were numerous vehicles and pedestrians around making this a dangerous situation.

An LAPD unit arrived and the suspect ran off at a high rate of speed. He made it to the Chick-fil-A at Sunset and Highland where he met up with an LAPD Taser. The suspect was arrested and loaded into an ambulance. He was still yelling incoherently. The suspect had committed an assault with a deadly weapon when he threatened the construction worker who tried to stop him from taking the hammer. He also made terrorist threats against me and committed felony vandalism when he broke the doors of the Foot Locker.



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On 7-8-17, we responded to a call of two men causing a disturbance at the Record Parlor located at 6408 Selma. The men left and went onto a parking lot where they proceeded to punch each other. Both were under the influence of alcohol. We separated the two and called for the LAPD. They arrived and in turn called paramedics. One of the men (Ian) was taken to the hospital. The other (Joseph) was booked for being under the influence.





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On 7-12-17, we responded to a call of a man exposing himself at 6121 Sunset Blvd. we had received about eight other calls for the same offense.

Our officers spotted Amer across the street entering the Starbucks at 6290 Sunset. Our officers approached and the man fled the store. The manager said that he had called about Amer on two prior occasions as he had been exposing himself to customers.

Our teams followed Amer to the Taco Bell located at 6245 Lexington Ave. He stripped off all of his clothing which caused traffic to stop. The man saw our officers and then ran into the California Surplus located at 6263 Santa Monica Blvd. He came out and ran across Santa Monica Blvd. We called the LAPD. They arrived and our officers directed them to the suspect and he was placed under arrest for indecent exposure.





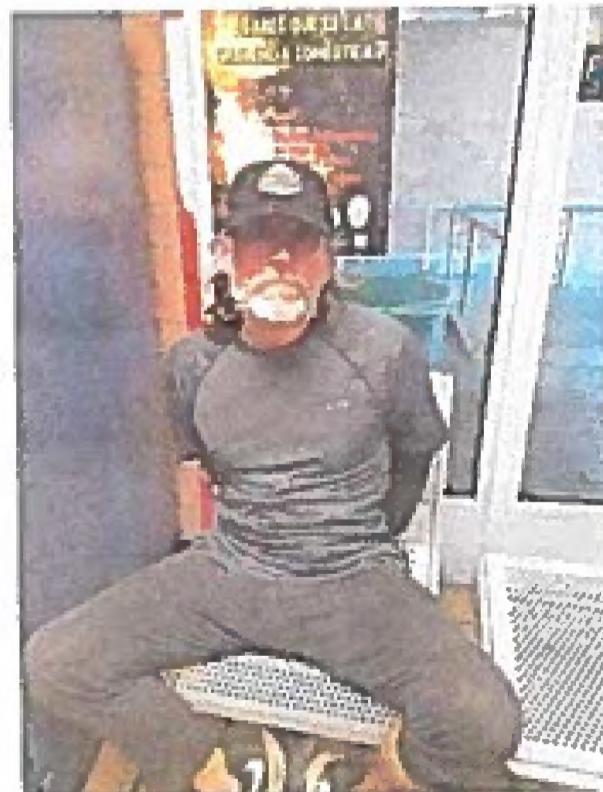
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On 7-20-17, we arrested Avdul for blocking the sidewalk at 6200 Sunset Blvd. After transporting him to the LAPD Station we learned that he had an outstanding no bail felony warrant.



On 7-20-17, our officers were driving in the 1700 block of Whitley when they saw a man named Wesley shove a woman. He then struck her in the face. Our officers stopped and placed him under arrest for spousal abuse. The woman has bruising and swelling on her face. LAPD officers took custody of the suspect.

On 7-22-17, our officers saw Ronald drinking alcohol in public at 1623 Ivar. They placed him under arrest. After transporting him to the LAPD Station we learned that he had given a false name and had three outstanding felony warrants. He was then booked.



On 7-30-17, our officers responded to a call from security at the Office Depot located at 1240 Vine. The guard pointed out Patrick who was blocking the sidewalk with his tent.



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The officers asked Patrick to move his tent and other property so people could use the sidewalk. People were being forced to walk in the street. He immediately started shouting profanities at the officers. He clenched his fists and challenged our officers to, fight. He refused to comply and was placed under arrest. He was transported to the LAPD station where he was cited out.

### **DEPLOYMENT:**

During this period we worked from 6:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Monday through Saturday and 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. on Sunday. This included officers in vehicles, bicycles, T3's and on foot.

### **TRAINING UPDATE:**

During this period our officers received training in driver safety, sharp officer and legal update.